REMARKS

Claims 1-7, 15-28 are pending. In the Action mailed on May 19, 2006 the Examiner took the following action: (1) rejected claim 14 under 35 USC 112; (2) rejected claims 8-13 under 35 U.S.C. 101; (3) rejected claims 1-21 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Published Application 2003/0028503 to Giuffrida at al (Giuffrida). Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.

I.   *35 U.S.C. 112*

The Action rejected claim 14 under 35 U.S.C. 112, as having insufficient antecedent basis. Claim 14 has been canceled without prejudice.

II.   *35 U.S.C. 101*

The Action rejected claims 8-13 under 35 U.S.C. 101, "because the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter". Claims 8-13 have been canceled without prejudice.

III.   *35 U.S.C. 102*

Claims 1-21 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Published Application 2003/0028503 to Giuffrida at al (Giuffrida).

The Action cites paragraph 0002 of Giuffrida as teaching the elements of independent claim 1. Paragraph 0002 is reproduced below:

> [0002] Digital libraries have been introduced to the Internet and are utilized to store a variety of documents and provide retrieval services for the documents. Documents in digital libraries include journal articles, conference papers, technical reports, and dissertations. Most digital libraries retrieve relevant documents utilizing a keyword-based search in human-generated database

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indices. Some systems automatically generate citation indices from a document, providing a framework for literature retrieval by following citation links. Evaluation of the document is based on the number of citations, and identification of research trends. *The above-described system locates, downloads, and parses certain electronic files to extract citations from the documents in order to produce the citation index.* However, this system does not extract other useful information from the document such as title, author, and affiliations. (Emphasis added).

Claim 1 in particular recites "locating an abstract for a published submission on a technical society website". The Action looks to lines 12-14 of paragraph 0002 of Giuffrida as teaching this element. Lines 12-14 are italicized. This section of Giuffrida, and Giuffrida in general, fail to teach or disclose "locating an abstract". As disclosed in paragraph 0002 Giuffrida teaches that electronic files are located and download, and "citations" to the documents are extracted. If the Action implies that a citation is an abstract, there is no teaching that such citations are located – such citations are extracted from the electronic files, after the files have been located.

Claim 1 recites "downloading the abstract for the published submission to a machine readable memory medium at a first address". The Action also looks to lines 12-14 as teaching this element; however, there is no teaching or disclosure in this section, and Giuffrida in general, as to "submission to a machine readable medium", and teaching or disclosure as to "a first address".

Claim 1 recites "locating the published submission on a technical society website". The Action again looks to lines 12-14 as teaching this element; however, there is no teaching or disclosure in this section, and Giuffrida in general, as to locating from a technical society website as recited by claim 1.

Claim 1 recites "downloading the published submission to the machine readable memory medium at a second address". Once again, the Action again looks to lines 12-14 as teaching this

element; however, as discussed above, there is no teaching or disclosure in Giuffrida as to a first address, let alone a second address as recited in this element of claim 1.

Claim 1 recites "embedding a hyperlink to the second address into the abstract, the hyperlink being configured to display the published submission when invoked". The Action again looks to paragraph 0002 as teaching this element; however, there is no teaching or disclosure in this section, and Giuffrida in general, as to "embedding a hyperlink ...", in particular "embedding a hyperlink into ... the abstract", since as discussed such a abstract is not taught or disclosed, and furthermore, since a second address is not taught or disclose, there is no teaching or disclosure to embed a hyperlink to such a second address as recited in claim 1.

Accordingly, independent claim 1 is allowable over Giuffrida, or any combinations that include Giuffrida. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claim 1.

Claims 2-7 depend from claim 1, and at the least, are allowable based on the arguments presented in support of claim 1. Accordingly, dependent claims 2-7 are allowable over Giuffrida, or any combinations that include Giuffrida.

Claims 22-28 have been added and recite "computer readable media" claims that depend upon base claim 1. Accordingly, dependent claims 22-28 are allowable over Giuffrida, or any combinations that include Giuffrida.

Independent claim 15 is rejected based on the same arguments presented by the Action in rejecting claim 1. Applicant presents the arguments made in support of claim 1, in support of claim 15.

Accordingly, independent claim 15 is allowable over Giuffrida, or any combinations that include Giuffrida. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claim 15.

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Claims 16-21 depend from claim 15, and at the least, are allowable based on the arguments presented in support of claim 15 (i.e., claim 1). Accordingly, dependent claims 16-21 are allowable over Giuffrida, or any combinations that include Giuffrida.

CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, Applicant respectfully submits that pending claims 1-7, 15-28 are now in condition for allowance. If there are any remaining matters that may be handled by telephone conference, the Examiner is kindly invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully Submitted,

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